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## WANT SOCIAL CREDIT BILL BEFORE BUDGET VOTE

### BUDGET DEBATE BRINGS SURPRISE WHEN BLUESPEAKS

**Declares Budget Should Not Be  
Passed Until Social Credit  
Plan Brought Down**

#### DUGGAN'S ATTACK

**Mrs. Gostick Warmly Defends  
Government After Conserva-  
tive Leader's Speech in  
Assembly**

Special to The Western Farm Leader

EDMONTON, Mar. 17th.—Criticism of the budget by a member of the Government forces, followed by assaults from the Conservative and Liberal benches, with Mrs. Edith Gostick, Calgary Social Credit supporter, winding up the day with rebuttal of the Conservative leader, which she charged was a defence of financial institutions, the budget debate proved more protracted than had been expected, and last evening was not completed.

#### Blue Attacks "Orthodox Budget"

From deep within Government ranks came denunciation of the "Orthodox" budget presented to the Legislature last Friday by Hon. Solon E. Low, Provincial Treasurer, A. L. Blue, fiery member for Ribstone again providing assembly commotion by openly castigating the Cabinet for failure to explore channels of economic reform before bringing in the heaviest taxation levy ever imposed on the people of the Province.

Member of the "insurgent" bloc in Government ranks, Mr. Blue during the throne resolution debate slated the Premier and Ministers for having no policy on social credit as promised to the people of Alberta before elections. Tuesday he declared "the budget should not be passed in this House until a Social Credit plan is brought down."

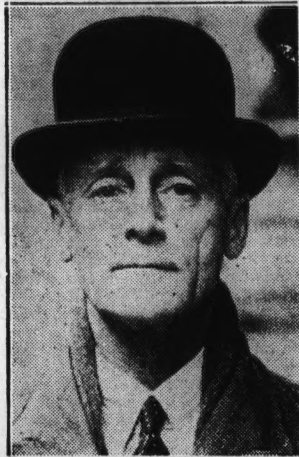
Opposition row also turned flares on the Government lines and charged that the Premier was breaking faith with electors, ruining the credit of the Province and confidence of the people, and should either submit a plan of reform to the House or give way to some party or group that would try to ease public distress.

#### Duggan's Criticism

D. M. Duggan, Conservative leader, flayed the enormous increase in taxation, asserting the tax levy alone without capital estimates, was going to draw \$19,000,000 from the people. Moreover, a sum of over \$22,400,000 in capital commitments had not been provided for, against which an asset of only \$6,300,000 was available. All along the line taxes were boosted, services were not increased accordingly, and debt obligations were ignored. He noted that Ministerial office expenditures, however, were to be higher, while travelling expenses were cut in half.

"Travelling health clinics must be reduced to enable more to be spent

### HEADS BORDER PATROL



A patrol of Spanish waters and the Portuguese border by British, German, French and Italian forces, to enforce a blockade, has been established. Whether the Fascists states, whose armies totalling 100,000 are now invading Spain, can be trusted in this matter, since all their pledges hitherto have been broken, is doubted in many quarters. Above is seen Captain Malcolm H. S. MacDonald, R.N., who heads 130 British observers who will patrol the Spanish-Portuguese frontier.

on our travelling Premier apparently," said the Conservative leader. He suggested a royal commission to inquire into costs of highway construction last year, citing disquieting rumors of over-expenditure which should be dealt with by the Minister of Public Works.

J. J. Bowlen, Liberal leader, led off the full dress debate on the budget Monday afternoon with a general attack on the estimates. Minister of Lands and Mines Hon. N. E. Tanner followed with a vigorous defence of the Government policies, claiming that "Alberta credit would soon be available to all," though it was necessary to make changes in the economic system gradually. (Mr. Bowlen's and Mr. Tanner's views are reported on page 7).

#### Liberals Speak

Tuesday Liberals C. G. O'Connor and Dr. Walter Morrish, Edmonton, continued the assault on Government financial policies, while Mrs. Edith Gostick, Calgary Social Crediter, briefly contended that the Government was the only hope for distressed Alberta and that another election would see Social Credit literally swamp the opposition.

The budget was a complete disavowal of Social Credit principles, said Mr. O'Connor, who also assailed the proposed licensing bill of Dr. W. W. Cross, charging that it was the most iniquitous piece of legislation ever introduced in the Assembly. It would give to one man more power than even Hitler, Stalin or Mussolini enjoyed.

"The Government cannot fool the taxpayers," declared Dr. Morrish. Every cent of taxes raised by this budget cuts down the standard of

### Farmer Has Slim Share in Price of Products

That American dairy farmers get less than half the retail price of milk, wheat growers only 13 per cent of the price of bread, tobacco growers 12 per cent of the selling price of tobacco, and livestock producers less than 40 per cent of the retail price for meat were conclusions reached by the U.S. Federal Trade Commission after an investigation recently.

### Death of Lieut.-Governor Primrose---Assembly Adjourns

EDMONTON, March 17th.—Owing to the death of Lieutenant-Governor Primrose, the Legislature today adjourned until next Tuesday afternoon.

EDMONTON, March 17th.—Lt.-Col. P. C. H. Primrose, Lieutenant-Governor of the Province, died today, after a long illness, at the age of 73. He had been in the West for more than fifty years.

### Leave in Blum's Hands

PARIS, March 17th.—In protest against the treatment of Popular Front crowds by the police last night, several one-hour strikes were conducted today, and there were threats of a general 24-hour strike. Communists demanded immediate arrest of Col. de la Rocque, leader of the Fascists whose meeting caused last night's troubles, but agreed, it is reported, to leave the situation in Premier Blum's hands.

### PROTEST LICENSING BILL

EDMONTON, March 17th.—On the ground that it constitutes an "unwarranted invasion of personal liberty" the United Church Ministerial Association of this city yesterday passed a resolution protesting against the enactment of the Government's licensing bill.

living in this Province. Social crediters had promised dividends without taxation, the Social Credit Government was giving them taxation without dividends.

#### Looks Forward to S. C. Budget

Mrs. Gostick looked forward to the day, she said, when a "real Social Credit budget" would be brought down in the Assembly.

Mr. Duggan, she affirmed, was evidently defending "safe, sound government," which being interpreted meant that he was protecting the banks and other financial institutions. Reading from a report of a meeting which he had addressed, in which he had urged fusion of all parties, she said that election time political leaders opposed one another, but in between they got together to keep the people from getting the necessities of life.

The debate was adjourned by R. E. Ansley, Social Credit, Leduc.

### GROUP MAY REFUSE CONSIDER BUDGET BEFORE S.C. BILL

**Detailed Social Credit Bill Read  
With Premier Present at  
Group Meeting**

#### MORE THAN THIRTY

**Want Social Credit Brought Into  
Effect Before September,  
Is Stated**

By C. H. STOUT

Special to The Western Farm Leader

EDMONTON, March 17th.—Portions of a 600-Section Social Credit Bill, which a group of more than 30 members of the Social Credit Party are anxious to see dealt with at once, were read, with Premier Aberhart present, at a meeting last evening. The Premier, it is stated, heard the reading of the portions of the bill without offering comment.

All members of the Cabinet were present, at what was in reality a general caucus, but no reference was made to the speech of A. L. Blue, Social Credit member for Ribstone, who during the afternoon had criticised the budget as "orthodox" and urged that the subject of Social Credit measures should take precedence over the budget.

#### Would Delay Budget

Reports which your correspondent is satisfied are reliable, are current to the effect that further consideration of the budget will be refused by the large group of members, variously estimated at 30 and 35, unless the Premier agrees to the introduction of the Social Credit bill.

Many private conferences of this group of members have been held. They want to give their support to the Government, but they are strongly disposed to make introduction of the Social Credit measure a condition of their support.

The bill, it is stated, provides for putting Social Credit into effect by September 1st. The machinery would be administered, according to their plans, by a commission of three capable men, removed from party influence and charged with carrying out the regulations in the manner now governing the Public Utilities Board.

Linked with the Social Credit measure would be a money bill designed virtually to confiscate interest now paid on mortgages and under agreements of sale, if the wishes of some members are carried out. It is estimated that this would bring in a revenue of more than \$25,000,000 yearly.

EDMONTON, March 17th.—The cost of using scrip for financing road work in the Province had cost equivalent to 30 per cent interest, charged D. M. Duggan, Conservative leader in the Legislature today.

**S**INCE the last issue of this paper a number of enquiries have been received as to what is being done with respect to the settlement of debts. The answer is that nothing definite has been done.

The daily press reports that the Attorney-General's Department has filed a notice of appeal from the decision of Mr. Justice Ewing setting aside the recent Debt Reduction Act. If so the appeal will probably come before the Alberta Court of Appeal within another month. The Government recently announced that although some consideration had been given to the general question of reduction and settlement of debts, no decision had yet been reached as to the nature of the legislation, if any, which will be introduced at this session. Rumor has it that legislation will be brought down reducing principal on all debts by as much as 50 per cent, but until such time as legislation has actually been introduced no definite statement can be made.

#### Position re Moratorium

The sixty day moratorium is still in effect. The press has recently announced a decision of Mr. Justice Ewing to the effect that the moratorium is only a protection if it is pleaded by a defendant; that is, if an action is brought against a debtor and he wishes to have the protection of the moratorium, he must file a defence claiming this protection. This decision is probably not very far reaching, as it is doubtful if under present conditions there will be any widespread attempt on the part of creditors to commence legal proceed-

ings, at least during the time the sixty day moratorium is in effect.

It has also been announced in the press that an action has been commenced in the Edmonton court to set aside the Debt Adjustment Act as being beyond the power of the Province to pass. The Saskatchewan Court of Appeal has already held that the Saskatchewan Debt Adjustment Act is valid, or in other words, that the Province had the right to pass it. While that decision is not binding on the Alberta courts it will no doubt be seriously considered in any argument here. It is expected that a day will be set this week for the argument of this question.

Generally speaking it is probably true that the great majority of creditors will simply mark time until the end of the present session of the Legislature. By that time, of course, they will know what new legislation has been passed or whether the moratorium is extended and by that time the appeal as to the validity of the Reduction and Settlement of Debts

## Present Position re Debt Settlement

**Government Announces Matter Still Under Consideration—  
Rumor Debts To Be Cut 50 Per Cent, But as Yet No  
Definite Statement—Position Under Moratorium**

By HON. J. E. BROWNLEE, K.C., LL.D.

Act will have been heard by the Appeal Court.

It is expected that by the time this paper again comes to the press a more complete statement of the situation can be made.

### Replies to Questions

#### Possession of Wagon

**J.W.H.**—"A" can go over and take the wagon if he can obtain same peaceably. If possession is refused, action would be taken through the courts for repossession.

#### Signature of Wife

**H.Z.**—Either the signature of the wife must be obtained to the transfer of the land or a judge's order dispensing with such signature obtained. Where a husband and wife are living apart a judge may make an order dispensing with the wife's signature on terms considered fair and reasonable. In this case the judge would probably require notice of any application for such an order to be given the wife.

#### Stumpage Dues

**F.F.**—The Department of Lands and Mines advises that the stumpage dues are:

On No. 1 and No. 2, 8 feet long when hewn, 10c. On No. 3 and culls, 8 feet long when hewn, 6c. On No. 1 and No. 2, 8 feet long when sawn, 9c. On No. 3 and culls, 8 feet long when sawn, 5c.

#### Deducting Share of Costs

**P.R. Pioneer.**—The Debt Adjustment Act provides that one-third the threshing costs can be deducted from the one-third share of the crop and also one year's taxes against the land providing the debtor sends the mortgagee the receipt for payment. The Government has not yet introduced any legislation at this session with respect to debts. All that can be definitely said now is that your mortgagee cannot take proceedings during the present moratorium or in any event without first obtaining the consent of the Debt Adjustment Board. The Board after hearing your case would decide what payment you should make in any year.

#### Constitutional Questions

**C.B.H.**—You have quoted a legal opinion on a constitutional question. I do not think it would be in the interests of this paper to express opinions on such a question, especially at a time when there is some possibility that the Government may pass other legislation dealing with debts, at least until we know more definitely the nature of that legislation. With respect to a note past due since January 5th, 1933, until the moratorium has been declared invalid no action can be taken by the creditor until the expiration of the sixty days. Unless some action is taken at this session of the Legislature, however, the creditor could at the expiration of that time commence proceedings unless you are a farmer and have the protection of the Debt Adjustment Act.

#### Crop Share Lease

**W.D.**—The reason the mortgage company has not sent you a Crop Share Lease this year is probably because it is waiting to see what legislation is passed at the present session. The mortgage you signed no doubt gave the mortgage company the right to insure and charge the premium against the mortgage account. The Debt Adjustment Act gives you the right to deduct one-third threshing

### Your Legal Problems

Answers will be given in this department to legal questions submitted by paid-up subscribers of The Western Farm Leader. The annual subscription is ONE DOLLAR. Questions should be addressed: "Legal, The Western Farm Leader."

### NO FUNDS "BORROWED"

**EDMONTON.**—Reporting through Premier Aberhart, who tabled the document in the Legislature Friday, Dr. W. W. Wright, chairman of the Workmen's Compensation Board, in the annual review for the year 1936, declared no funds of the Board had been "borrowed" by the present Government, nor had any monies been advanced to the previous Government by the board so far as was known.

He made this reference in reply to charges that sums had been used from the trust funds for government purposes.

"The Board invests its funds and makes its awards in the manner prescribed by the act and the Government has not in any way interfered with the Board in so doing, or in any way interfered in the operation of the act," the chairman reported.

Increase in rates had been found advisable to meet current requirements and provide for a reduction in deficits.

Despite measures adopted to lessen injuries, the number of accidents handled by the Board during the year increased 1,323, with a total of 12,381 in 1936 against 11,058 in 1935. Compensation paid amounted to \$453,292. Payments from the pension fund to workmen permanently disabled totalled \$456,386.81.

As a reserve for disasters the Board had established a fund of \$250,514.47, with another \$801,238 set aside as at the end of 1936 for unfulfilled claims.

costs from the share of the crop payable under a crop share lease and also the taxes against the land for one year if these taxes are paid and the receipt sent to the company. As yet no announcement has been made as to the nature of debt legislation which may be passed at this session.

#### Question of Liability

**Homesteader.**—The mortgage company owning the land at the time the fence was built is in liquidation. The fence does not constitute a charge on the land and there is some doubt as to whether the present owner can be made liable, although the act would seem to make him liable for a share of the present value if he receives any benefit from same. If the arbitration proceedings have been properly carried through, the award of the arbitrators, with the consent of the court or judge can be enforced in the same manner as a judgment of the court. You will have to consult a lawyer to do this but the amount involved hardly makes such procedure advisable.

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# Taxes on Corporations and Consumers Who Bear Penny Sales Tax Are Much Increased

**All-over Deficit of \$1,227,000 Forecast by Provincial Treasurer Low—  
Estimated Surplus on Income Account—Payments of Interest to  
Be Tendered at Lower Rates Provided in Provincial Legislation**

By C. H. STOUT

Special to The Western Farm Leader

EDMONTON, March 17th.—Alberta's \$21,394,400 budget was presented to the Legislature Friday afternoon by Treasurer Hon. Solon Low, who recently succeeded Charles Cockroft in the Cabinet, and despite wide expansion of taxation sources an over-all deficit of \$1,227,000 was forecast on the year's operations beginning April first.

No provisions were made for paying in full \$4,000,000 due in interest charges on various Provincial bonds. The half rate authorized by order-in-council early in 1936 is still being followed though the reduction measure was ruled ultra vires in court. Likewise no allocations were made to the sinking fund account, and debt payments were again deferred.

## Surplus on Income Account

Providing borrowings could be made to take care of capital spendings, the estimated surplus of income revenue account was set at \$1,965,570, but the Minister drew attention to the prospect of having to meet capital obligations out of ordinary revenue. Last year's collections were down more than \$1,239,000 from the estimate, the sales tax alone falling by \$1,000,000 to measure up to Treasury expectations. Ordinary expenditure from revenue this year was forecast at \$16,980,357.83.

In every sense an "orthodox" budget, without special reference to Social Credit measures, the financial outline showed that relief appropriations will reach nearly \$5,000,000, with \$2,834,500 of this amount provided principally from the Federal Government. Feed and fodder advances total \$350,000, free freight on feed and seed \$150,000, with tractor fuel for farmers in dried out areas \$125,000. Direct grants to cities will total \$1,233,500, while Provincial work camps call for \$828,080. Heavy appropriations also will help provide food, fuel, shelter and clothing in various municipalities.

## Concerned re Financial Problems

"We are fully aware that we have many financial problems yet to solve," admitted Mr. Low in closing his address. "We are concerned with our present inability to meet our interest payments and our matured obligations, both debenture and savings certificates; and I trust that as a result of our representations to the Dominion for a survey of our financial position by the Bank of Canada, and the appointment of the Royal Commission by the Federal Government to investigate the whole system of Dominion and Provincial taxation, that we may make progress in lessening the burden of debt charges on the people of this Province, and at the same time restore the value of our securities."

This keynote revealed the Government's outlook for revenue. However, not more than \$1,000,000 will be provided for payment on savings certificates during the next year, and no promises were made that the remainder of the approximately \$8,000,000 outstanding in these certificates would be paid excepting gradually. Unless Dominion assistance is forthcoming it was taken for granted that bond payments would have to again be defaulted when due.

## Big Taxation Increases

While no new channels of taxation are tapped in the budget, greatly

increased levies are imposed on corporations, on one hand, and on those who pay the penny sales tax, on the other. Banks, railway companies, insurance companies and others of that nature must contribute \$1,088,600 under the new assessment, or \$559,157 more than they contributed under the 1936 scale of taxation. The sales tax which has its exemptions curtailed must produce \$450,000 more than last year. Exemptions now will include only food, clothing and farm machinery.

Banks will be taxed \$232,000 instead of \$82,000 as last year; railways on an increased mileage levy will pay \$118,157 more than in the 1936 estimates; insurance companies \$380,000 instead of \$300,000; gas and power companies \$82,000 instead of \$35,000, levied on an increased rate of ten instead of five mills on transmission lines, and miscellaneous companies must pay \$260,000—double the sum paid last year.

Under this advance, based on a sliding scale on capitalization instead of on a maximum of \$550 per company previously, oil concerns and others like the Southern Alberta beet sugar factories will be assessed much higher than formerly.

Liquor profits in 1937-8 are expected to reduce \$2,500,000, an advance of \$300,000 over the present year. License fees under the trades and industry branch must produce \$40,000 more than last year. Motor license fees are estimated at about \$1,475,000, an increase of \$30,000 over 1936 owing to the extra three-month period.

"In increasing our revenue from these sources the Government feels that the increases are justified," stated Mr. Low. "It is a step toward the equalization of the burden of taxation in this Province." He cited the Dominion of Canada subsidy revenue as being estimated at \$1,776,071, a decrease of \$239,304 from last year's expectations.

## Tender Lower Interest Payments

"You will note that the appropriation for interest on public debt shows a decrease of \$2,487,087 from the amount appropriated for the year ending," the Minister explained. "The Government is adhering to its policy of tendering payment of interest at the rates authorized by order-in-council dated May 30th, 1936. This is made compulsory upon us because the condition of many of our people is still far from satisfactory and the ordinary source of taxes is largely dried up. We have also deleted the provision for sinking fund charges on the direct debt, although in capital expenditures we have provided for the usual sinking fund payments on irrigation and drainage issues which are guaranteed by the Government."

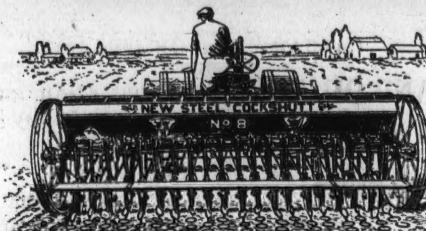
Under the heading of increased expenditures, Mr. Low said public health work would be increased by \$750,000 including another \$55,000 additional provided for care of tubercular patients, three additional health units, \$30,000 more for hospital grants, a further \$36,000 for care of patients in mental institutions and another \$195,000 for payments under the mothers' allowance act, this to take care of deserted mothers and others under a broadening of the act.

In Department of Agriculture estimates, \$10,000 has been budgeted for a new service for livestock men,

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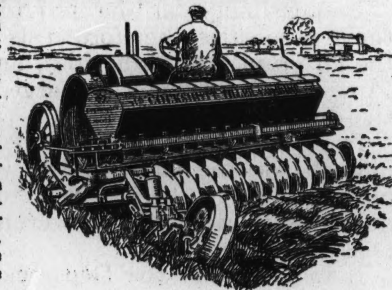


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## Vote for Credit Houses

Mention was made in the budget of a new appropriation of \$50,000 for administration of the Alberta Credit Act, this to provide for rentals of state credit houses, employees' salaries and other incidentals.

Under capital expenditures amounting to \$3,248,743, it is proposed to build another \$200,000 unit at the Oliver mental home, the Minister explaining that this building was urgently needed to relieve congestion at the Red Deer institution. Highway building will be carried on to the extent of \$1,000,000, with another \$350,000 set aside for maintenance. Agricultural relief costs were esti-

Field crops in Canada last year had a total value of \$594,139,000 (as compared with \$508,910,000 in 1935), according to the Dominion Bureau of Statistics. For Alberta the figures are given at \$97,044,000 for 1936 and \$75,032,000 for 1935.

The first woman to hold such an important appointment, Miss Jessie Macqueen was recently made secretary to the Scottish section of the Co-operative Union.

A million dollar yacht is being built by T. O. M. Sopwith, of "Endeavor" fame.

mated at \$681,475, with municipal districts expected to finance their own relief work under a new arrangement of guarantees from Dominion and Provincial Governments.

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## SEED, FEED, GAS AND OIL FOR THE DROUGHT AREAS

### AN URGENT MATTER

Owing to the crop failures last year over large areas of the Province, many thousands of Alberta farmers lack the means to provide themselves with seed, feed for spring work, and the fuel and lubricating oils which they must have if their crops are to be seeded this spring.

Responsibility for the provision of these necessities therefore rests with the governmental authorities, and the Provincial Government is charged with the direct responsibility.

In the immediate future the farmers must be on the land; but as yet no information has been given to the public as to what the Government's policy may be.

It may be that the Department of Agriculture already has its plans well in hand to deal with the situation. We trust that such is the case. If it is, no doubt an announcement will be made very soon, and the necessary machinery will be set in motion.

All that we are concerned to stress at this time is the urgency of the matter.

No other business which the Government may have in hand is nearly so important as this, at this particular time.

We trust that the Minister of Agriculture, Hon. W. N. Chant, has already made full provision to cope with the problem, and that at a very early date we shall learn that the Department's plans for the distribution of seed grain, feed and fuel and lubricating oils have been perfected.

Last year the Dominion Government came to the assistance of the Province of Saskatchewan, by guaranteeing the principal and interest of loans made by any chartered bank for the purchasing of seed grain and the provision of other assistance for the spring work.

The Dominion Government's policy for the present season has not been announced; but it is possible that negotiations have been entered into with the Dominion authorities by the Alberta Department, with a view to some such guarantee being given this season in this Province. Or it may

be that other means of financing have been made by the Provincial Government.

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The assistance given in Saskatchewan last year was provided for in Chapter 9 of the Dominion Statutes, assented to on April 8th, 1936. The act was entitled, "An Act to Assist the Province of Saskatchewan in financing the cost of seed and seeding operations for the crop year 1936," the most important section of which read as follows:

"2. (1) The Governor in Council, subject to the provisions hereof, may authorize the guarantee of the principal and interest of any loans made by any chartered bank and guaranteed by the Province of Saskatchewan under the authority of the Municipalities Seed Grain and Supply Act, 1935, of Saskatchewan and amendments thereto, for purchasing seed grain and providing other assistance to farmers in connection with seeding operations during the spring of 1936."

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What method may be employed by the Alberta Government to ensure the distribution of seed, feed, gasoline and lubricants in the distressed areas is of less consequence than that the work shall be adequately carried out, and quickly.

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### WILL SHOW VIMY PICTURES

We are glad to be able to announce that the film of the Vimy Pilgrimage will be shown in Canada after all.

Announcement to this effect was made by Alex. Walker, President of the Calgary Branch of the Canadian Legion, upon his return from a visit to Ottawa. He assures us that according to his information, obtained since our last issue went to press, "the film will be released at an early date and shown in theatres throughout the Dominion."

The positive statement that the film would not be shown was made in an Ottawa despatch in the *Winnipeg Free Press* of February 22nd, from which we obtained the information upon which our editorial comment in the last issue of *The Western Farm Leader* was based.

The *Free Press* despatch was emphatic, and read in part: "A major mystery of the capital is cleared up. Reason why the elaborate films taken by Captain Frank C. Badgley, govern-

## JOHN O'SULLIVAN—AN APPRECIATION

By JACK SUTHERLAND

Hanna, Alberta, Sunday Evening Mar. 7, 1937

Sitting by the radio, startling like a clap of thunder, we hear the news flash out: "Sudden death of John O'Sullivan in a Calgary hospital this morning."

Ah, here again in this dramatic manner are we impressed once more that in the very midst of life we are in death. John O'Sullivan, he of implicit faith in a political organization with but few supporters. He of vision and confidence and belief in the supremacy of the viewpoint to which he held so steadfastly; with the ever present smile in the face of almost continual defeat; John O'Sullivan who was always present at the scene of the oppressed—the friend of the starving Chinese, the champion of the unemployed.

Popularity was the last thing that John thought of; his own status something he never even considered. His one conviction, better things for the under-privileged; a brighter future for humanity.

John has passed on over the Western horizon. How many of us who differed from him can say truthfully when the time comes when we too have to tread the same pathway that we had tried, as consistently, as fearlessly and as continuously for better things for the dispossessed. In that regard I am afraid not many of us can measure up to the standard set by John O'Sullivan.

ment motion picture bureau chief and his assistants, of the recent Vimy Pilgrimage, have never been shown and probably never will be, is that in almost every scene the Duke of Windsor, former King Edward VIII, is prominent in the foreground."

The despatch went on to deal with the situation in some detail, and concluded: "Hence they (the pictures) will probably never be seen in a motion picture theatre, by this generation at least."

Mr. Walker was informed that the films had been held up pending their submission by Canadian governmental authorities to the governmental authorities in London, England; that the British authorities were asked whether they had any objection to the pictures being shown in Canada, and that no objection was raised.

There the matter rests, and the pictures will be released, Mr. Walker states, in a few weeks' time.

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Meanwhile, on the strength of the information in the *Free Press*, a protest had been sent to the Prime Minister, Rt. Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King, by the U.F.A. Executive, who pointed out that these pictures are "of high historic value, recalling as they do the sacrifices made by Canadians during the Great War and depicting the greatest peace-time pilgrimage of Canadians to other lands since the birth of the Dominion."

The resolution further set forth that "the change of monarchs since the Pilgrimage constitutes no valid reason why the Canadian people of this generation should arbitrarily be deprived of the opportunity to see the reproduction of these historic scenes, including the appearances of a king who as Prince of Wales was closely associated on active service with the Canadian Corps, and who has had many associations with Canada and her people since the war."

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## LICENSING OF ALL OCCUPATIONS NOW BEING PROPOSED

Would Be Possible to License and  
Regulate Newspapers Under  
Bill Before Assembly

Special to *The Western Farm Leader*  
EDMONTON, March 15th.—Under the terms of the bill distributed in the Legislature, providing for the licensing of all trades, businesses and industries and occupations in the Province, wide powers are given for control of such enterprises and callings under the Department of Trades and Industries, and by order-in-council.

It would be possible under this measure to carry out the threat which Premier Aberhart has made from time to time, to license and regulate newspapers. In general the bill applies to "all trades, businesses, industries and occupations carried on in the

Province, excepting only businesses licensed pursuant to any other Provincial act."

### Power Given to Cabinet

The Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council (that is to say the Cabinet) will be given power to require every person engaged in any designated trade, occupation, etc., to be registered or licensed, and to prohibit that carrying on of any such business by any person not registered or licensed; to fix fees for licenses and registration, and to make rules and regulations as to practices, systems and methods in connection with any designated business.

Fines or imprisonment may be imposed for default on payments or failure to register or obtain licenses.

The Minister, meaning the Minister of Trade and Industry, may suspend or cancel any license for a second offense, and power is also given to refer to the trade and commerce board of the Department any question as to the propriety of refusing to grant a license in the public interest in any locality.

The bill prohibits the issuance of business licenses by any city, town,

## Loss on Telephones \$288,797 During Last Fiscal Year Reported

Accumulated Deficit \$1,906,653—  
Formation of Community Rural  
Companies Continued

Special to *The Western Farm Leader*  
EDMONTON, March 16th.—With a loss on operation of \$288,797 during the fiscal year ending March 31st, 1936, the Alberta Government telephones system had recorded an accumulated deficit to that date of \$1,906,653.55, according to a report of the department, tabled in the Legislature Friday afternoon by Hon. W. A. Fallow, Minister of Public Works and Telephones.

Estimates show the telephone branch will this year require a vote of \$2,351,200 with the treasury asking re-

village or municipality to applicants who are not duly licensed under the Provincial licensing measure.

payment of an advance to the extent of \$324,000, and maintenance charges accounting for \$290,000. No amount is provided for sinking fund purposes, but replacement reserve will be credited with \$235,200, the estimates show.

In the report for 1936, Deputy Minister J. D. Baker pointed out that no provisions had been made for plant depreciation, renewals or even risk of storm damage.

The policy established by a former government of disposing of rural telephone lines to community companies was being continued, the Minister reported. Up to the end of the last fiscal year, 563 of these local companies had been organized and plant lines and equipment to the value of \$1,996,896.91 sold. Urban revenues during the period increased by \$14,262.83, long distance tolls by \$59,111.67 and miscellaneous operating revenues by \$1,775.84. Rural revenues showed a decrease over the previous year of \$70,888.58.

In estimates presented for the coming fiscal year the telephone branch is expected to break even, no deficit being budgeted for.

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# BOWLEN BLAMES, TANNER DEFENDS GOVERNMENT

## REAL DEFICIT IS OVER \$5,500,000.00 DECLARES BOWLEN

Failure to Provide for Redemption of Savings Certificates Scored by Liberal Leader

Special to The Western Farm Leader  
EDMONTON, March 16th.—Instead of an over-all deficit of about \$1,227,800.00 forecast by Provincial Treasurer Hon. Solon Low, when presenting the annual budget and estimates last week, the real deficit for next year's government operations will be in excess of \$5,500,000 even with an income and capital revenue of more than \$20,000,000, it was charged by Liberal house leader J. J. Bowlen when opening the debate on the budget resolution on supply in the Legislature Monday afternoon.

### Interest on Debt \$2,487,087

Interest charges on the public, irrigation and telephone debts to the extent of \$3,415,087 were not provided for, declared the Calgary member, the public debt interest levy amounting to \$2,487,087, irrigation debentures interest \$210,076 and telephone bond interest \$728,000.

In addition sinking fund payments deferred amounted to \$713,453.57 on general revenue and \$145,000 on telephones, while the over-all deficit was only placed at \$1,227,815.15. Altogether, the deficit if properly admitted would amount to \$5,501,355.15 Mr. Bowlen maintained.

While the Government asserted that the tax levy would be better balanced under the 1937-8 levy, Mr. Bowlen said it actually meant that the individual consumer would be called upon to pay approximately \$1,015,157,000 more taxes than in 1936. Corporations such as banks, trust companies, insurance institutions, etc., were being assessed much higher, but it merely meant that they would pass on the increase to the ultimate consumer, who also was required to pay \$450,000 additional in the penny sales taxes.

### Declares Poor Consumer Must Pay

Not satisfied with this impost of one million dollars more than taxpayers paid in 1936, Mr. Bowlen said, the Government planned by means of a petty licensing bill to collect another \$50,000 from trades, businesses and occupations, a levy that would have to be met directly by the poor consumer.

Failure to provide funds for redemption of the more than \$8,000,000 outstanding in savings certificates, was also rapped by Mr. Bowlen, who thought if the Government estimated a surplus of nearly two millions on ordinary revenue account, surely some provision should be made for returning hard earned savings to the people.

### Questions for Government

Where were the new industries which the Premier and his followers had promised? asked the Liberal leader. Where had any been located and started operations in 18 months? Why were ranchers being penalized in the way of grazing lease regulations and the Calgary office closed down? Why had the Government failed to accomplish anything tangible toward interest reduction? What about just prices and interest free loans? Why had the Minister of Municipal Affairs used 1933 figures when discussing relief costs, and why had relief expenditure increased \$1,600,000 last year if unemployment was less?

Mr. Bowlen protested against the Premier refusing to make any announcement or take part in any debate in the Assembly, and complained about the hostile attitude of the Government in respect to returns asked for by the opposition. He charged discrimination in respect to fire insurance being given to an outside firm by the Government when 1200 Alberta agents had a right to tender on such public business.

## WILL CARRY OUT SOCIAL CREDIT PLEDGES—TANNER

Minister Declares Government Determined to Remedy Plight of Alberta People

Special to The Western Farm Leader  
EDMONTON, March 17th.—No one in Alberta was more interested in remedying the plight of the people or more determined to carry out social credit pledges than Premier Aberhart, declared Hon. N. E. Tanner speaking in the Legislature Monday afternoon in reply to Liberal leader J. J. Bowlen, Calgary, whose criticism of the budget the Minister characterized as "decidedly weak."

"We are determined to make changes, but these changes must be made on permanent lines," Mr. Tanner announced, "and in this I am sure we have the solid support of all members on this side of the House."

### Larger Collections Only Way

The new Minister of Lands and Mines said he was glad to have been called in to assist in administering government policies. The budget had been criticised for its wider taxation scope, but surely everyone realized that with the public demanding wider services the only way to provide them was to ask larger collections.

The Minister stressed the increased expenditure for health services, mothers' allowances, child welfare and educational work. The Government in such essential work was going as far as funds permitted.

As soon as possible the Government would bring down real Social Credit, Mr. Tanner declared, and he hoped the time was not far distant. "Alberta credit will soon be available to the people and every class of business will benefit," he added.

"More capital has come into Alberta for development in the last year than ever before," the Minister believed, British investors now being interested in Turner Valley. He was not in the least worried about charges that capital was being driven out of the Province by Government policies.

Mr. Tanner defended the heavier taxation on corporations featured in the budget, contending that the public would approve of banks and other financial interests being made to pay a heavier share of the debt load. As for the claim in the East that railways and banks made their profits largely outside of the Province, the Minister said the tremendous shipments of produce out of the Province and the shipment of commodities enabled the East to make a more imposing showing, but the revenue was really due to the origin of the business in Prairie Provinces.

### Dominion Should Aid Irrigation Project

Dealing with irrigation, Mr. Tanner thought the Dominion should assist more projects in Southern Alberta, for farmers should be encouraged to make permanent homes in these districts. In the United district, where frost had injured crops, it was found that a one-sixth crop payment had provided sufficient funds for water service charges and loan payments. He thought these share payments should be fixed to place the lightest possible load on the occupant of the land.

### "PEACE OR WAR"

A pamphlet entitled "Peace or War?" has been forwarded to us by the Women's Section of the League of Nations Society, Toronto. They advise us that it is available for distribution all over Canada to those interested in the grave problems now confronting Canada and the world. The address from which the pamphlets were sent to us is 43 St. George Street, Toronto (Mrs. John Grieve, President, Women's Section).

## No Action Towards Lowering Gasoline Prices Yet Taken

Manning Tells Legislature Results of Steps Taken Are as Yet Disappointing

Special to The Western Farm Leader  
EDMONTON, March 15th.—In reply to J. J. Bowlen who asked what had been done toward an investigation of fuel oil prices charged in the Province, Hon. E. C. Manning told the Legislature in committee Friday that steps had been taken as promised one year ago to inquire into gasoline costs, and despite certain representations made by the distributing companies nothing had been accomplished.

When these interests were consulted, Mr. Manning reported, it was said if the number of distributing outlets in the Province was reduced the high cost of distribution could be cut and prices lowered. Accordingly the Government by order-in-council prevented more filling stations being established and thereby brought down a storm of protests, charging discrimination measures.

However, the cost of fuel had not been reduced after the Government action as presumed, and "results had been very disappointing," the Minister stated. "We are as far away as ever from any definite action."

### Change Mutual Telephone Act

Changes in the Mutual Telephone Companies Act provided that shareholders in these companies must become subscribers within six months or they would lose rights of voting at company meetings. In effect, Hon. W. A. Fallow said the "good neighbor" policy was going to be enforced.

Amendments to the bread act trans-



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fers licensing features from the act administration to the business licensing department; and also prevents base-ments being used as bakeries.

Industrials Standard Act administration was transferred from the defunct labor department to the industrials relations board, and the Labor Act was finally repealed.

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# Current News from Near and Far

## PROVINCIAL

250 Canmore miners are striking against working conditions.

Apart from three stallions, sold for a total of \$1,190, the average price of 540 horses, auctioned at Lacombe last week, was almost \$94.

Following recent strikes of oil near Taber, oil and gas rights have been secured on thousands of acres of land in the district.

Only 220 Alberta farmers were in a position to pay Federal income tax in the year 1935-36, contributing \$17,417 of a total of \$1,599,510.

Wage increases have been announced by the four Edmonton packing plants, bringing the minimum for men to 45 cents an hour and for women to 36 cents.

The number of unemployed persons in Alberta has increased by 22.4 per cent in the past year, according to official figures for the week ending March 6th. The total registered is 11,213.

Added Provincial taxation hits hardest farm families, at a time when they are least able to bear such a burden, declared Jesse J. Strang, former Wheat Pool director, in a radio address sponsored by the People's League.

Under D. A. Skelton, head of the Bank of Canada's research department, and two assistants, the enquiry into Alberta's financial position will shortly begin. It is expected that the survey will take about a month, and that Graham F. Towers, governor of the bank, will be present during some part of the proceedings.

Contracts covering 60 per cent of the Province's output of poultry and eggs would be required before a voluntary co-operative marketing pool could commence operations, said A. Speakman in an address to the Calgary Poultry Association. Mr. Speakman, the former M.P. for Red Deer, spoke on behalf of the Alberta Poultry Federation.

Between four and five thousand people attended the funeral of John O'Sullivan, who died in Calgary last week, at the age of sixty. Mr. O'Sullivan contested many civic and other elections as a Communist candidate, and was widely known and much respected for his warm and constant sympathy for the poor and oppressed, and for his unvarying good humor.

Delegates from unemployed organizations appeared before the agricultural committee of the Legislature recently and protested against low relief allowances and administration.

Liquor purchased from the Government vendors during the fiscal year ending March 31st, 1936, aggregated \$3,726,055, with Scotch whiskey the most popular drink.

Like Manitoba's new legislation, a bill introduced in the Legislature Tuesday, by A. E. MacLellan, S.C., specifically legalizes the right of organization and collective bargaining by labor union.

Under a new arrangement for providing seed grain relief for the drought areas, the Provincial Government will make no direct expenditure but will join with the Federal Government in guaranteeing advances by municipalities.

## DOMINION

"Temporary financial aid" to Saskatchewan was cautiously recommended by the Federal report on that Province's finances.

A sodium mine south of Moose Jaw, Sask., has been bought by International Nickel for nearly a million dollars. Sodium is used in making nickel.

The C.P.R. transferred to its profit account \$6,029,184 at the end of 1936, as compared with less than \$3,000,000 for the previous year.

Even more serious than the heavy debt burden of the West, was the drought menace, declared W. L. MacTavish of Winnipeg to the Canadian Forestry Association in Montreal. Neglect of conservation and scientific agricultural methods, he said, brought "creeping desert conditions."

B. C. will end its fiscal year on March 31st with a surplus of \$2,000,000 said Hon. John Hart, Provincial Treasurer, in a press interview. This surplus will be used, he said, for direct relief, the \$3,000,000 loan recently obtained from Ottawa being devoted to road building.

A charge of murder has been brought against Mrs. Ida May Donaghy of Nelson, B.C., whose infant son was found dead of knife wounds, a few weeks after he had been rescued by a neighbor from a snowbank. The inquest verdict stated that the woman should not have been left in sole care of the child.

"The case should never have been brought," said Judge C. J. Lennox, Vancouver, in dismissing the wage claim brought by J. L. Loveseth and Mrs. M. B. Hopkinson against Premier Aberhart.

That 44,522 Canadian railway workers earned less than \$85 a month was the statement made recently by John W. Bruce, a member of the men's committee negotiating with the railway companies for wage restorations.

Heavy purchasing of steel will continue for two and a half or three years, in the opinion of Lord Riverdale, head of the Arthur Balfour Steel Company of Sheffield, during a recent visit to Montreal. Rearmament is the chief reason.

## WORLD

Explosion of a fireworks plant at Manila cost 28 lives.

Britain will have under construction by the end of this year 148 new warships.

The "Big Four" American packing plants have announced general wage increases.

First place on the agenda for the Imperial Conference in May is given to empire defence.

Two thousand Ethiopians have been massacred in the recent Italian reprisals, it is reported from London.

Net profits of American industry were more than \$7,000,000,000 last year, according to Associated Press reports.

Spanish government forces are reported to have made gains in their struggle to take Brihuega from the Fascists. Madrid is still holding out, subject to intermittent bombing and artillery attacks.

Italians to the number of 10,000 landed in Spain on February 28th, according to the *Manchester Guardian*, who estimates that 100,000 German and Italian soldiers are now aiding the Spanish Fascists.

Rioting arising from the attempt of the French Fascist organization (formerly the Croix de Feu, now the French Social Party) to hold a meeting in a working-class suburb of Paris, Tuesday evening, six were killed and about three hundred injured.

Carrying munitions from the U.S. and Mexico, the Spanish freighter *Mar Contrabico* was taken by Fascist vessels and the crew shot, according to the story told by a seaman who said that he had escaped with the help of a French fishing boat. To elude the Fascist and German net along the coast, her name had been painted over as "Adda" and radio S.O.S. calls had been heard from a vessel giving that name.

After three years in office, Labor's first administration increased its majority on the London County Council in the recent elections. Last elections were held in 1934. In the hope of defeating Labor, according to *Reynolds News*, an immense secret fund was raised from leading stock brokers and jobbers, from big manufacturing and retail and wholesale businesses and from West End hotel proprietors, and the fund was placed under the trusteeship of a Conservative M.P. associated with the Bank of England and a peer prominent in accountancy circles. The claim is widely made that the finances of the L.C.C. have never been more stable or better planned than under the Labor council, and that this claim is valid a vast majority of the electors have agreed.

## Pass \$5,000,000 Mark

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., March 3rd.—The Indiana Farm Bureau Co-operative Association increased its total business three-quarters of a million dollars in 1936, boosting its volume to more than \$5,000,000 for the first time in its history. The co-operative wholesale supplied its 92 member co-operatives with \$4,403,000 worth of feed, seed, fertilizer, farm machinery, paint, gas and oil, tires and other co-operative products in 1936. During 1936 the volume expanded to \$5,187,000.

"It is with regret that we report the death on March the 7th of John Ness, old-timer of the Shepard district," write the Local officers. "The late Mr. Ness, who was sixty-four years of age, has been a staunch supporter of the U.F.A. and was president of the Shepard Local for many years. He was councillor for Division 2 for several terms. His passing will leave a gap in the community which will be felt by all."

The great arms plants of Schneider and Company and Creuzot are being expropriated by the French Government.

French merchants will be punished for raising prices unjustifiably, new legislation having been passed to that end.

Another strike has begun in the General Motors plants at St. Louis, because of alleged discrimination against union members.

Japanese military leaders are violently resentful of statements made by Foreign Minister Sato to the effect that Japan could avoid war if she really wished to.

A co-ordinating agency to direct the attack on drought, soil erosion and resultant problems has been proposed to the U.S. Congress by President Roosevelt.

Sir Austen Chamberlain, who died Tuesday night at the age of 73, was a member of Parliament for 45 years, and was Foreign Secretary in the Conservative prior to 1929.

The international "blockade" of Spain began on Saturday last, France and Britain patrolling the Atlantic coast and Germany and Italy most of the Mediterranean coast.

The Duke of Windsor was not included in the King's civil list presented to the British Parliament on Tuesday. To fail to make provision for the former King would be "the height of meanness," said former Premier Lloyd George a few days earlier.

While American steel companies state that recent wage increases will cost \$112,000,000 a year, it is estimated that price advances averaging \$5.50 a ton will bring them in additional revenues of \$308,000,000 a year—about three times the amount of the wage increases.

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## FARMLOCALS SEND SUBSCRIPTIONS IN BEHALF MEMBERS

Support for *The Western Farm Leader*—Talbot Local Has Original Plan

Locals in many parts of the Province are now taking up the matter of giving organized and positive support to *The Western Farm Leader* by sending in subscriptions for their members.

### Last List of Locals

Among Locals which have written in since our last issue, enclosing subscriptions, in some cases for their full membership and in others by way of installments, with promises of more to come later, are the following: Ghost Pine U.F.A., J. B. McCubbin; Owlseye U.F.A., Vic Lindberg; Majestic Spring Water U.F.A., Delia, George Beaton; Water Glen U.F.A., Charles A. Johnson; Spring Valley U.F.A., Lacombe, Arthur H. Henson; Talbot U.F.A., J. Hutchings; Reid Hill U.F.A., Vulcan, Nels Nelson; Asker U.F.A., Ponoka, Anton A. Vold.

At Talbot Local the following policy was adopted, as set forth by the secretary, Mr. Hutchings. "At our reorganization meeting a motion was passed as follows: 'That this Local pay half the subscription fee to *The Western Farm Leader* to all members who wish to subscribe and are in good standing.' Please find enclosed money order. We hope for more subscribers in the near future."

In numerous instances, individual readers are sending amounts of \$2 and \$3 or more. Ole Nysetvold of Chauvin wrote: "Enclosed please find \$3 and credit me as far as it goes."

### A Few Comments

"A word to yourself about the paper you are getting out," writes A. MacMillan of Carmangay. "I enjoy it very much and I hear it spoken of in a favorable manner through the country; so keep up the good work, always remembering that in the end the truth will prevail. Good luck to all of you!"

"I herewith enclose \$1 for my subscription to your valuable paper. I should have sent it long ago, but have just delayed for no good reason. Your paper should be in every farm home in Alberta."—Andrew Sathar, Czar.

"I am glad to know there are people enough left willing to carry on the fight for the farmer, for we as a class are extremely backward at looking after our own interests, being so easily led astray on some wildgoose chase. Your editorials are always clear and to the point and in news and matters of interest to the farmer you are

## Would Strengthen "Good Neighbor" Policy by Use of Radio Broadcasting

Urged That Roosevelt Be Invited as Guest Speaker on Canadian Broadcast

With a view to strengthening the policy of the "Good Neighbor" with all its implications, the U.F.A. Executive has requested the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation to provide that when any Dominion-wide broadcasting program of national significance, such as the inauguration of a new Canadian station, is arranged, President Roosevelt shall be invited to be a guest speaker.

The Executive also suggest that "programs of particular Canadian significance, of the type of the 'Night Shift' or 'Cotter's Saturday Night', be exchanged with the United States nation-wide chains and that Canadian chain-broadcasts include some of the best of theirs."

The resolution sets forth that in the Executive's opinion "the radio can be of great value in bringing about a better understanding as between widely separated sections of the country," that this opinion has found support in the policy of the new manager of the CBC, Gladstone Murray, and that "the radio can also be of service in the wider field of international relations."

### News Brevities

Some members of the Alberta Beet Growers' Association are talking of a strike in protest against the failure of the Federal Government to grant a sugar tax rebate to aid the sugar industry.

The board of conciliation dealing with the strike at the Union Packing Plant, Calgary, while giving the plant a clean bill of health for sanitary conditions, ordered considerable pay increases. An understanding was reached whereby the strikers were to be taken back to work within a stated time.

The Fortin plan for refunding Calgary's bonded indebtedness is being voted on this week by city taxpayers. It provides for no reduction, but merely postponement, of interest payments.

The new Provincial budget sets \$250,000 as the amount expected from oil and gas royalties, and \$150,000 from rentals; \$300,000 from coal rentals and royalties and \$310,000

always right up to date."—David M. Howie, Lac Magloire.

William Tink of Smoky Heights writes: "I am herewith subscribing for your very concise and interesting paper. All farmers especially should take it. Co-operation is truly needed in all our efforts. The age of ruthless competition should go. It is going."

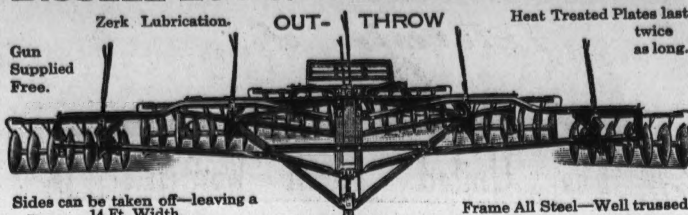
"Dollars are hard to get now. I like your paper better than any other, so I enclose a dollar to pay for subscription."—J. J. Evenson, Medicine Hat.

"I wish you every success in carrying on the good work of a paper which has done so much for the U.F.A."—William Craig, Wembley.

"Enclosed please find one dollar for subscription. Congratulations on your wonderful patience. My muscles are played out, paying out, but I must not forget your interesting paper."—John Miles, Clairmont.

Lethbridge police and police commission have been completely exonerated from the charges of graft and vice protection, etc., brought against them by John Manuel, recent Social Credit-Communist candidate, by Judge J. A. Jackson, who has completed an investigation.

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from timber rentals; a further \$130,000 is expected from grazing leases. **Petition—Take the Profit Out of War**

While Canadian wheat exports during February were 5,362,031 bushels, as compared with 14,241,169 last year, the value was \$6,926,695, as against \$11,946,435 last year.

"One small island on the west coast of Europe cannot sustain unaided the defence of world-wide trade and a world-wide empire," said Hon. L. S. M. Amery, former Colonial Secretary, in Leicester, England, last week.

Protesting against continued trade negotiations with Canada, Sir Henry Gullett has resigned from the Australian Cabinet. He believes that Australia is not getting enough Canadian trade.

U.F.A., U.F.W.A. and Junior Locals please note that March 25th has been definitely set for receipt by this office of the signed petitions re the above. Please see that petitions are signed and returned to Central Office by that date.

E. BIRCH, Secretary.

### THE CHANGING YEARS

The man who sighs for the bygone day When a barefoot boy he ran, Is the same old boy who used to say: "Geel! I wish I was a man."

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#### PEACE OR WAR?

By Mrs. EFFIE HARPER, Claresholm

There is no question which more closely concerns the women of Canada than this, "Shall we have Peace or War?"

Some who remember with horror the years 1914 to 1918, and the futility of all their sacrifice, swear that never again will they take any part in such folly. Some of us who remember those years as a series of nightmare visions in our immature minds, who could not understand but who could feel the hysteria of patriotic songs, mourning friends, and atrocity stories of the terrible Hun, are determined that our children must be spared that experience.

Branches of the League of Nations society, leagues for the promotion of international goodwill, and many women's organizations, are trying to rouse and mould public opinion on this important subject. Statesmen are debating the issue in the parliaments of the world. In Europe international relations are strained almost to the breaking point. But the people as a whole seem strangely unmoved by all this.

#### The Debate at Ottawa

Lately at our house, the favorite pastime has been reading *Hansard*, the official verbatim report of debates in our Parliament at Ottawa, for February, with special interest in the debate on Canada's national defence. Probably the same is true in many other homes, but the fact remains that not nearly enough of us, wives and mothers, take time out to consider seriously what it all means.

We are the wives who in the next war would wait in anxiety for the dreaded O.H.M.S. letter. We are the mothers who would watch our young sons grow to manhood, fearful that they too might be only so much more cannon fodder. We are the homemakers on whose shoulders would fall the burden of trying to maintain an adequate standard of nutrition for our families on short rations, while speculators made money on foreign markets with the very Canadian wheat which

should feed our children. We are the mothers who would be forced to watch more and more lavish spending for the destruction of life, and less and less financial means devoted to education, family welfare, and social services.

#### Need to Be Alert

In short, it is up to us to be keenly alive to the trend of the times. We need to study the situation, to know what steps are being taken to commit us to a policy of war, and what better steps might be taken to build a finer Canada for peace. We should be prepared to make known our opinions and our demands to the government for a safer Canada in which to build homes and rear the citizens of coming generations.

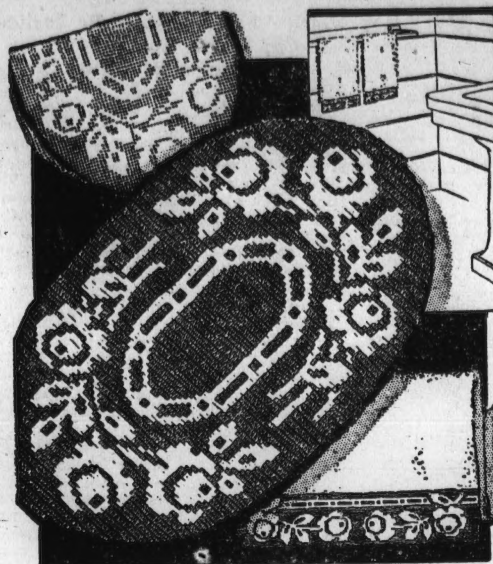
The Finance Minister last year said that it would be impossible to provide half a million dollars for pensions for the blind but this year it seems apparent that we can spare 36 million dollars for armaments, 13 million dollars more than last year.

Among ex-service men, the heroes (or the momentoes) of the last war, there is suffering and need. There are still over a million people on relief in Canada, and the government considers itself hard pressed to provide the necessary funds to give them a bare subsistence. Last year direct relief cost the Federal Government 27 million dollars, but every year we pay 158 million dollars interest on the debt from the last war!

#### Contrasts in Expenditures

To quote from *Hansard*, Mr. C. G. MacNeill, North Vancouver, "We cannot disregard the fact that expenditures on armaments are made at the sacrifice of activities of vastly greater importance. Since the armistice we have spent on armaments the sum of approximately \$284,000,000. During this same period we have spent for all purposes of the League of Nations only \$4,235,987. We have already spent 67 times as much for armaments as we have spent to assist in the organization of international peace,

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and if we include the estimates of this session, our armament budget will be 150 times as much as all expenditures for relief purposes.

"In the present year we propose to spend eight and one half times as much for armaments as we have spent in the whole eighteen years since the war for purposes of international peace. Our military appropriations this year will exceed the appropriations for old age pensions by a very considerable sum."

There are other matters which any Government should consider in its defence program beside the actual buying of armaments. There are steps which could be taken which would act as preventives of war. Here are a few for your consideration. The Government could control the prices and the exchange of commodities and thus prevent exploitation during war panic. It could fix and regulate prices in the same way it fixes military pay. It could provide for conscription of useful industrial management at military rates of pay. It could provide for the conscription of property and equipment as well as man power in time of war.

#### Fundamental Matters

These are subjects with which our Minister of Defence might well occupy his mind. These are more fundamental than the purchase of cannon, because a nation so organized could devote its whole strength to defence, without having its resources tapped for private profit.

If we are to build a great nation, if we are to do our part to make the world a pleasanter, saner home for future generations, we must pay far more attention to life and the means of ennobling it, and far less attention to death and ways of perpetrating it. Even from the standpoint of military efficiency for defence there is much we leave undone. The thousands of young men who today are growing up on relief rations, below the physical standard for military service, and with no hope of a useful place in society when they reach maturity, will not be too keen to defend a country which has thus neglected them and slighted their needs.

To quote again from Mr. MacNeill's speech: "If we are sincere about the defence of our women and children we should realize that our greatest bulwark and protection is a young Canadian manhood, physically fit, technically trained, and with a stake in the country they are asked to defend. If they are made ready and given an opportunity to play their part in the development of our country in peaceful endeavor, they will not fail it in any defence emergency."

#### Activities of Farm Women's Locals

Energetic U.F.W.A. (Milk River) have arranged a shamrock luncheon and card party for tomorrow (the 20th) to raise funds.

As members pay half their dues in cash, Roseleaf U.F.W.A. (Blackfalds) are planning to make and raffle an applique quilt, to raise money for the balance.

The women's committee of Freedom U.F.A. Local met and re-elected their former officers, Mrs. Bennett and Mrs. Rau. They look forward to a successful summer.

Recently the women of Griffin Creek district met at the U.F.A. Hall and organized a U.F.W.A. Local. Mrs. Margaret Eastman is president and Mrs. J. C. Dixon secretary.

With U.F.A. and C.C.F. club members as their guests, Lethbridge U.F.W.A. sponsored a meeting at which Mrs. B. Tanner, Convention delegate, Mrs. A. M. Peters, John Johansen and Rev. W. Irwin were speakers.

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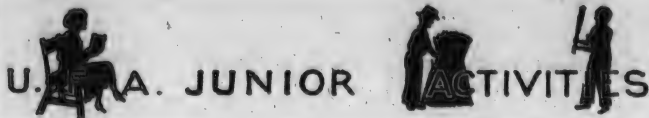
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## YOUTH CRUSADE FOR PEACE

### Second Canadian Congress to Be Held in May

By GERTRUDE GILLANDER,  
Secretary Provincial Committee, Canadian Youth Congress

Two or three years ago in Toronto a small group of young men were studying various subjects. It was not long before they realized the futility of talk and the idea of a Youth Movement was born.

Many such movements have been conceived, and some of them have even been started, but the Canadian Youth Congress Movement has gone on to become a success with key organizations from coast to coast, all united on certain ideals that they will foster.

#### First World Congress

During the early days of the movement the League of Nations Society started the World Youth Congress, and in this the Canadian group joined. After their own first All-Canadian Congress, held in Ottawa in May, 1936, in which 456 delegates from all sections of Canada took part, twenty-nine delegates sailed to Geneva to take part in the meeting that represented the youth of the world. With the exception of Italy, Germany and Japan, practically every nation of the civilized world was represented.

From this welter of tongues and beliefs came recognition of certain concrete realities which are recognized in common by every delegate, and so Canada and her Youth Movement is aided and is aiding the rest of the youth of the whole world. Perhaps no greater co-operation has ever before been conceived as possible, yet youth has made it more than a mere possibility, it is an actuality.

In May of this year the second All-Canadian Youth Congress will be held in Montreal, where more than twenty-five Canadian cities in addition to rural organizations will send delegates. From Calgary an adequate

the co-operation we can," writes Mrs. T. H. Howes, secretary of Hillside U.F.W.A. These ladies are holding a court whist party.

Wheatstheaf U.F.W.A. "are so glad to be still getting the farm paper," writes Mrs. Mary Stokoe. They hope to have a larger membership this year, lack of funds being the chief difficulty.

Mrs. P. C. Cull, Mrs. A. Caverhill and Mrs. Alex. Hall are the officers of Spring Valley U.F.W.A. this year. Their annual meeting was postponed on account of the very cold weather, and sickness in the district.

Having heard a paper on current events by Miss Florence Bittorf, reading of the bulletin by Mrs. Schneider, and Mr. Gardiner's letter, Willow Springs U.F.W.A. spent some time at their last meeting in planning a St. Patrick's Tea.

Nainso U.F.W.A. are using the suggested program with some additions of their own; for instance, for the May meeting they plan an "Old Time Dress Parade" to go along with the roll call, "When I Was a Girl," and are giving prizes for the best costumes.

The U.F.W.A. have recently received from Lady Tweedsmuir, wife of the Governor-General, a gift of thirty books for the Frances Bateman Memorial Library. In a letter to Mrs. Price, Lady Tweedsmuir spoke of the possibility of a representative

representation will go to join in the work that is so peculiarly youth's.

Supporting this Congress, Kenneth Woodsworth, National Secretary, a member of the League of Nations Society, and a delegate to Geneva is at present in Western Canada on a tour covering every local council, to aid in matters of finance and organization, and to incite members to greater efforts to form as wide as possible a movement of the youth of Canada. So wide is the representation aimed at that organizations not yet affiliated with the movement are desired and encouraged to send delegations to represent them at this Congress.

#### Seek Larger Farm Representation

In this work Alberta is expected to take its full share, and the Councils of Edmonton and Calgary are working vigorously to encourage a larger farm representation than before, and to have these youths join in the work of the Movement in every-day life as well as at times of National or International meetings.

The Provincial Council Committee has headquarters in Calgary at 52 Union Building, and all who have the vision of the potentialities of this movement should immediately communicate with them. They will reply at once giving all details of the aims and ideals, aims and ideals that are not only theirs but yours as well.

The Call to this Congress is in the name of the youth of the world, in the name of all humanity! Make 1937 the year for unity, the year of the YOUTH CRUSADE FOR PEACE.

The General Program of the Montreal Congress is as follows:

**World Peace:** National and International problems; How to preserve peace.

**Social Justice:** Problems of economy; How they affect Peace.

**Youth Policy:** How can youth unite in the defence of Peace, and assist in economic improvement?

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of the U.F.W.A. being in Ottawa, adding, "I should so much like to know more about your work."

From Edna, Kansas, Mrs. R. R. McBride has sent to Calgary a short account of a very interesting trip through the lead and iron mining district of Kansas and Missouri, into the Ozark Mountains and Arkansas, where several varieties of flowers were blooming. She and Mr. McBride plan to visit Texas and Old Mexico before returning to Alberta.

McCafferty U.F.A. and U.F.W.A. Locals held a social evening recently at which the championship games for the cups for checkers, cribbage and table tennis were played off. George Trotter won the checkers, Mrs. H. E. Spencer the cribbage and W. T. Hays the table tennis. The Junior U.F.A. and school there also staged a most successful play, "For Pete's Sake", under the direction of Mr. Sparks. Despite bad roads they repeated it in Edgerton.

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### Growth of Movement is Outlined by Woodsworth to Audience in Calgary

Calgary people who heard Kenneth Woodsworth, B.A., of Toronto, National Secretary of the Canadian Youth Congress Movement, in Central United Church, Calgary, on Monday evening, March 8th, received a very clear picture of what the Movement is all about.

Mr. Woodsworth is a young man of exceptional ability, comprehensive knowledge, ready wit, and with a degree of wisdom rarely found in one of his years.

#### Need Immediate Effort

Outlining the growth and development of the Movement from its inception with an economy of exposition, clarity, measure of entertainment, he brought home to his audience the necessity of immediate and co-ordinated effort on the part of all youth and youth groups to grapple earnestly and intelligently with their problems to the end that immediate remedial measures may be taken to provide opportunity for their natural development as responsible citizens, and the attainment of a normal life. Mr. Woodsworth did not underestimate the time, energy and sacrifice required to accomplish this task.

With the type of leadership Mr. Woodsworth is qualified to give, and the zeal with which he is undertaking his task, the Movement must and will accomplish much.

Mr. Tom Roberts, President of the Calgary Youth Council, acted as Chairman and Miss Winnifred Ellston delighted the audience with two beautifully rendered solos.

Following the meeting Mr. Woodsworth was guest of honor at the home of Miss Winnifred Ellston, who entertained the members of the Calgary Council, also Mr. and Mrs. Donald Cameron of Edmonton.



### Junior News Items

Asker Juniors are taking up the study of the C.C.F. program, writes their secretary, Florence Spelrem. They recently raffled off a quilt, clearing \$14.

Freda Yarwood writes that the Juniors at Koknee are learning First Aid, and that the girls are making paper flowers and the boys fretwork articles to sell.

A St. Patrick's Day entertainment, and a dance to be held April 3rd, have been arranged by Nordalta Juniors. Doris Lugar, secretary, recently sent in dues for twelve members.

Everyone had a grand time at the first tobogganing party held by Brookland Juniors, after they bought their new toboggan. To raise funds for the Junior Conference, they are putting on a hard-time dance, reports Leslie Drayton.

NEW YORK.—The National Committee on Student Co-operatives, organized a year ago, has just published *Campus Co-ops*, a 5c pamphlet describing several typical college co-operatives and outlining the methods of organizing other co-operative.

With 73,000 student members active in 160 co-operatives now in operation on more than 100 college campuses in this country, an enormous interest has developed in this phase of the movement. The pamphlet, written by William H. Moore, is available through The Co-operative League, 167 West 12th Street, New York City.

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Special to *The Western Farm Leader*

EDMONTON, Mar. 17th.—Strongly recommending that irrigation projects in the Province be carried on without allowing them to lapse into virtually abandoned areas, the special government commission examining these districts reported to the Legislature that in their opinion farmers on these projects should be able to pay one-fifth of their hay and grain crops annually, and one tenth of their root crops toward land charges, estimating that in 25 years this basis of payment would carry water service charges of \$1.25 per acre annually and return approximately \$26.75 per acre for the land in 25 years.

The commission consisted of Judge A. F. Ewing of the Alberta Supreme Court, Professor F. A. Wyatt of the University of Alberta, and Roy W. Risinger, farmer of Lethbridge.

### Close Investigation

All southern Alberta irrigation projects were closely surveyed and investigated and the members unanimously agreed that the government guaranteed districts should be kept in operation if at all possible. They suggested that strict collection measures were essential if farmers were to be kept on the land with success, and if occupants showed signs of failure under reasonable regulations they should be removed.

The report was tabled in the Legislature by Hon. W. N. Chant, Minister of Agriculture. It is a voluminous document with masses of statistics regarding production, rates and other information.

### Average Production

Evidence obtained from 114 parcels of land during 1934 and 1935 gave the average production of wheat as 25.1 bushels per acre on irrigated land, 10.5 bushels on dry land, 43.4 bushels of oats under irrigation, 2.09 tons of alfalfa and 10.9 tons of beets. On this average the commission based their recommendation that one-fifth and one-tenth crop payments be established. Pasture crops would stand a charge equal to the hay crops.

To get best cropping results it was suggested that an irrigated farm should be kept in from one-third to one-half alfalfa, with hoe crops taking the place of summer fallow, and a system of crop rotation followed.

After advising that crop share payments be adopted the commission thought the amounts collected should be applied first in payments of water service charges, second in payment of instalments of interest on the purchase price of land, and lastly on the instalment of principal when due. If in any year the proceeds of the share of crop exceeded the amount of the

## Veterinary Questions and Answers

*Questions on the care of animals in illness will be answered in this column from issue to issue by a graduate veterinarian with 25 years' experience in practice in Alberta. Every paid-up subscriber to The Western Farm Leader is entitled to have a question answered. The subscription is One Dollar per year.*

**Waugh, Alta.**—A mare nine years old is troubled with stiffness of the hind quarters. She seems to be all right after running for a while, but has great difficulty in starting.

**Answer.**—This is a form of rheumatism. Would advise giving this mare a physis of Linseed Oil (raw) 1 quart and then give 1 tablespoonful of the following three times a day in drinking water: Potassium Nitrate 16 ounces, Potassium Iodide 4 ounces. Mix well.

**Cowley, Alta.**—I have a gelding 8 years old; is very thin; has worms; have been treating him with worm powder but did not seem to do any good. What is a good tonic for horses when you bring them in off the range for spring work; also to clean out botts. I have tried using . . . but find it takes a practical hand to administer them; so what ever you have to suggest, put it in the shape of a drench or a powder to feed in mash or otherwise.

**Answer.**—Give the following powder mixed with bran mash night and morning for a week: Sulphate of Iron, 8 ounces; Powdered Gentian, 16 ounces. Give one tablespoonful as directed above. Follow this treatment with a quart of Linseed Oil as a physis.

**Heathdale, Alta.**—I have a mare with a rough coat and pot belly. Recently she has passed several worms from four to eight inches long. Could you give me the ingredients of a powder to be fed in the grain to get rid of worms and act as a condition powder?

**Answer.**—Have the following powder made up and give a tablespoonful morning and night in a bran mash

total payments due then the amount of such excess should be placed to the credit of the purchaser and held in reserve, to meet any years of deficiency. Interest would be allowed on the reserve at five per cent.

"The commission is of the opinion that a reduction should be made in the price of land and water to the point where any farmer of average or even slightly less than average attainments in industry can pay over a period of years. It follows that the burden of such reduction must be borne by the Province as a whole, but this reduction is predicated on the assumption that the plan if adopted will be rigidly carried out so that no loss or expense may be incurred by those who are not primarily liable for the indebtedness."

### Benefits Community

Further the report says: "The commission has been made fully aware that irrigation authorities now agree that the full capital cost of an irrigation project should not be charged up to the lands immediately benefited. The conversion of a non-productive arid area into lands intensively farmed benefits not only the irrigation farmer but also the community, the Province and the Dominion, as well as many private enterprises such as railways and factories."

New contracts should be exempted entirely from debt reduction legislation, the commission recommended. Discussing the matter of priorities it thought water service should be paid for without interference from all other charges, for without water the farmer could not continue. Even municipal taxes should not have priority over water charges. Right of distress should be provided for the collection of the crop share payments.

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## Will Add \$4,500,000 to Alberta Deficit

### Unpaid Interest, Deferred Sinking Fund Payments Are Cause

EDMONTON, March 17th.—Unpaid interest charges on Provincial bonds and deferred on sinking fund payments will add approximately \$4,500,000 to the Provincial deficit this year, it is stated following the budget submitted to the Legislature

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The over-all deficit on income and capital account, placed at \$1,227,000 for the year 1937-8, was not a complete picture of the financial situation, it is revealed. Provincial bond interest, telephone debenture interest payments and other sources of direct and indirect liabilities, add another \$3,700,000 in round figures to the probable deficit.

Moreover an avalanche of protests from holders of savings certificates, which may not be paid excepting in necessitous cases, is causing the Treasury Department no end of trouble, it is reported. Unredeemed certificates amounting to \$8,000,000 in round figures are still held by persons who placed their funds in the Government trust account during the years the system was in operation.

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By SYDNEY MAY

Hello, Folks!

Men, declares Cynical Gus, have made such a hell on earth through gold that the streets of Heaven are hardly likely to be paved with it.

Boy, quick, gimme a sentence using the word abdominal! When she got up to speak her English was abdominal.

—J.L.T., Calgary.

### WOULDN'T THIS SLAY YOU

Knotty Frankie: Have you heard the Valley song?

Fern of Fernie: Nope, how does it go?

Knotty Frankie: I'm Valley glad you love me dear.

## SPORT

The 1937 senior hockey crown in Alberta goes to the Edmonton Dominions and the team are worthy champions. They are battlers from start to finish and are never awed by reputations. They have a clever, if light, forward line, a steady defence and a "super A" goal keeper. All credit to them!

In the final series with the Coleman Canadians the Dominions failed to show all their wares, except in the final period of the third game. The Canadians are not in the same class as the Dominions, but the latter seemed to be stale in the first two games. The Coleman boys were eager and willing but did not play systematic hockey and could not get in close for their efforts on goal.

At the time of writing the Dominions have played a game with Nelson, winners of the B.C. championship. The score was a tie. The game was played in Nelson and the teams now move on to Edmonton. The result was a surprise as the Nelson team was considered to be in a class with the Kimberley Dynamiters who won the Canadian championship last year.

The finals in the Canadian championship are billed for Calgary this season, but there have been kicks from the east, notably Quebec. The Dominion final was played at Vancouver once and in Winnipeg a number of times. Calgary is entitled to the final. The only disadvantage of Calgary to eastern contenders is the high altitude. Calgary is 3500 feet above sea level and the boys from lower down are inclined to puff when competing in the higher levels.

North Battleford won the Saskatchewan championship in the senior ranks and the Saskatoon Wesleys the junior championship. Both these teams are good. The Wesleys, in particular, are a classy team. We like them for the western title and maybe they are potential Canadian champions. Hope so!

Drumheller juniors knocked the Calgary juniors out of the Provincial running and then the Drums bowed to Medicine Hat. The Hatters and the Edmonton juniors played off, the latter winning the championship by virtue of two victories to one defeat.

### REPLYING TO MAYERTHORPE

Dear Syd: I felt so sorry for Wally that I fixed things for him. How's this?

### I FIXED IT

This having dreams in poetry Is getting worse—I'm in it; And one I had beat N.L.D.

By forty miles a minute; For mine began where his left off With Bach and Goldie wedded And neither one was happy tho' They both were woo'd and bedded!

For she darned HIM instead of sox And he was so contrary, They both regretted bitterly That they'd seen fit to marry! They really were in such a plight When I woke up, of course I just rolled on the other side And dreamed them a divorce. —E.M.W., Seven Persons, Alta.

Then, Ethel, please continue the good work, you'll probably make N.L.D. sit up and take notice.—Syd.

### DICTOGRAPHED IN A NEW YORK NIGHT CLUB

"If we have another war let's call it a war to end lives and cut out all the hokey!"

—Thenx to Walter Winchell.

Paradoxical as it may sound a husband's "will" is often his wife's "won't."

"Wherefore art thou, Romeo?"

Consideration of the first item in the draft C.C.F. Provincial program, in which J. K. Sutherland of the U.F.A. Executive took part, formed the principal business of the regular meeting of Balzac U.F.A. Local recently. Later the U.F.A. and U.F.W.A. Locals met jointly at a supper provided by the ladies, and reports on the Convention were presented by W. J. Church and O. Rosenberger, and a most interesting brief address was given by Mr. Sutherland as guest speaker, while Mrs. A. P. Shuttleworth, in a pleasing speech, referred to the honor and responsibility which is hers as the new U.F.W.A. Director for Bow River. George E. Church, U.F.A. Director, presided.

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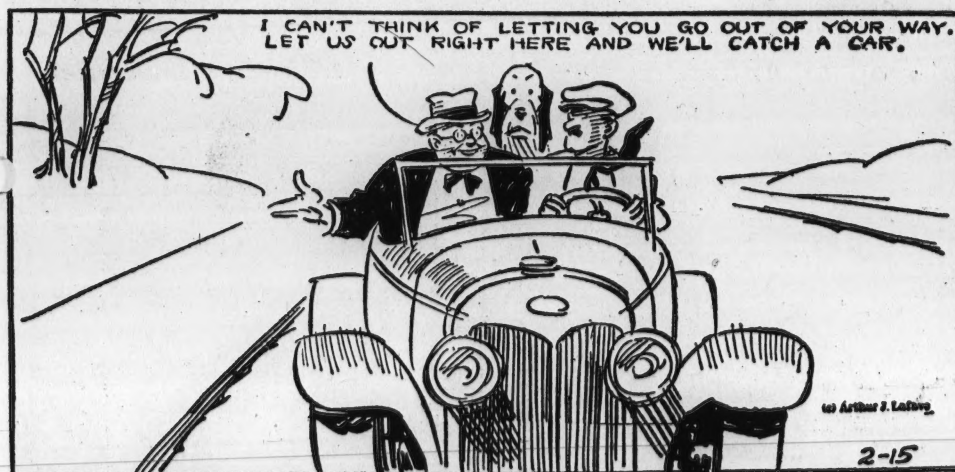
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War again in search of copper shell cases, shrapnel pieces and bullets. Here is an assortment just outside Ghent, which will be shipped to England. Contracts for war materials are being let in Canada and other Dominions as well as in Britain, since a British Government "White Paper" announced that it would be "imprudent to contemplate a total expenditure on defence during the next five years of much less than £1,500,-

000,000," in Canadian currency \$7,500,000,000. Rearmament is bringing artificial "prosperity" to many countries; prices of armaments shares are soaring, and a new crop of war millionaires is already being raised, although the war has not yet begun. (Have you signed the petition demanding that wealth be conscripted before manpower in the next war? See page 5. Many signed petitions are being sent in.)

## Clipper to Blaze New Trail to Antipodes



Pan-American Airways announced that it will send one of its big clipper ships over a 7,000-mile route from San Francisco to New Zealand, blazing the trail for a new air passenger and freight service. The above map shows (solid line) the present

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## Mikado's Daughter



Her Imperial Highness Princess Teru, 11-year-old daughter of the Emperor and Empress of Japan, who is being taught at school to sweep floors, polish desks, make tea and do other chores.